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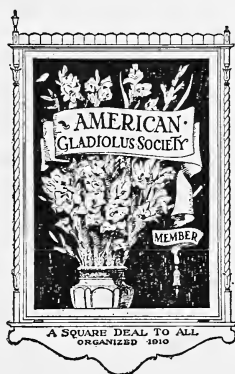
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# Unusual Glads

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We Grow the Best—Discard the Rest

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## To Our Friends and Customers

In presenting to you, this, our first descriptive list, we offer a collection of the best standard varieties, along with the finest new creations.

We have tried to keep away from the descriptions found in so many of the catalogs, and to offer our honest opinion of each variety, telling its faults along with the good points. We hope this meets with your approval.

You will notice that we have, as far as possible, given the rating by The American Gladiolus Society before each variety. This will give an idea of the merits of each. Note that no variety rating less than 80 is grown.

Prices quoted are for large blooming size bulbs. This means that they will be one and one fourth inches and up in diameter. However, late in the season we are sometimes sold out of large sizes. Please tell us in your order whether or not we may substitute smaller blooming sizes. Extra bulbs will be sent if they run small in size, to make up good value.

Each and every bulb we send out is guaranteed to be true to name. If found otherwise, we shall replace with two of the variety ordered, each bulb which is not true to name.

All bulbs sent prepaid. Please send cash with order.

A. G. S.  
Rating—VARIETY

## PRICE LIST

Price  
per bulb

86.8	ALICE TIPLADY. (Kunderd)	-----	\$.10
	The most popular primulinus. Not tall, but a beautiful bloom of finest orange saffron shade.		
81.7	ALTAIR. (Kunderd)	-----	.10
	Very tall and early. Color is a pure salmon saffron, almost apricot. Not large, but very decorative, and a wonderful basket flower.		
87.3	AMERICAN BEAUTY. (Diener)	-----	.25
	Beautiful American Beauty colored bloom, with a creamy yellow throat. One spike with ten open flowers, is a wonderful bouquet.		
87.0	ALBANIA. (Kemp)	-----	.15
	Pure white. Arrangement perfect. An extra fine thing.		
87.9	ANNA EBERIUS. (Diener)	-----	.10
	Velvety rose purple. Fine spikes, and large flowers. The most popular purple.		
	ARABIA. (Hinkle)	-----	1.00
	One of the very darkest varieties on the market, almost black. The open flowers, of medium size, are dark maroon, and the buds appear jet black. A very outstanding color, and a variety that should be grown by everyone.		
	BENGAL TIGER. (Pratt)	-----	.20
	An oriental beauty—red with black stripes on all petals. Very unusual, and attracts lots of attention. Quite late.		
86.2	CARMEN SYLVA. (Prestgard)	-----	.15
	Pure white. Many large flowers open at one time on tall spike. Withstands heat very well. An excellent variety.		
	COSTA RICA. (Diener)	-----	.10
	Pure orchid, crimson blotch. Medium sized flowers on tall graceful stems. Excellent.		
87.1	CRIMSON GLOW. (Betscher)	-----	.10
	The most popular crimson. Very large deep red blooms.		
91.7	DR. F. E. BENNETT. (Diener)	-----	1.00
	Gorgeous scarlet red. Described as "House-afire red." Long spike with many large blooms open at once. Generally conceded to be the finest red.		
88.1	DR. W. VAN FLEET. (Kunderd)	-----	.35
	Very large flowers on tall stems, exceptionally graceful. Rose pink. yellow throat. Extra early.		
88.4	E. J. SHAYLOR. (Kunderd)	-----	.10
	A fine tall plant with large ruffled blooms of clear rose pink. Early. A variety that will stand the test of time.		
	ELIZABETH GERBERDING. (Diener)	-----	.10
	Rose pink with red and yellow throat. Flowers are not large but are heavily ruffled and of very strong substance.		
86.4	ELIZABETH TABOR. (Hinkle)	-----	.25
	Delicate pink on white ground. Crimson blotch on lower petals. Tall and slender. The earliest large flowering glad.		

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83.0	<b>EARLY SNOWFLAKE.</b> (Kemp) ----- Creamy white, tinted pink. Yellow throat, overlaid with red. Early. Large lily-shaped blooms, of fair substance.	.10
88.2	<b>EVELYN KIRTLAND.</b> (Mrs. Austin) ----- The finest of the pink commercial varieties and one that makes the new ones go some. Very tall, large, and the most beautiful coloring of shell pink with large scarlet blotch on lower petals. Entire flower is covered with a glistening sheen. A variety of wondrous beauty.	.10
91.2	<b>GIANT NYMPH.</b> (Coleman) ----- Very large flowers on tall graceful spike. Excellent rose pink with yellow throat. Something fine.	.35
	<b>GLORIANA.</b> (Betscher) ----- Most wonderful color imaginable. Rich orange salmon blended to a throat of pure golden yellow. One of the most exquisite combinations—perhaps the most finely colored gladiolus in existence. Tall spike with eight to ten florets open at a time. Blooms do not open up widely as do most varieties. Early.	4.00
89.0	<b>GOLD.</b> (Hoeg) ----- An excellent variety. Large flowers of pure golden yellow. Not so strong as Golden Measure, or as deep a yellow, but earlier, and more decorative.	.20
90.1	<b>GOLDEN MEASURE.</b> (Kelway) ----- Very strong vigorous yellow. Tall, heavy stalk, carrying many large heavy textured blooms. The finest exhibition yellow.	.15
	<b>GOLDEN SWALLOW.</b> (Mrs. Austin) ----- Pure light yellow. A prim, but not hooded. Very artistic. Lovely when massed.	.50
82.1	<b>HELEN FRANKLIN.</b> (Kunderd) ----- A very good early white with lilac marking in throat. Beautifully ruffled. A variety, which, in our opinion deserves more popularity.	.10
	<b>HOMESTEAD FAVORITE.</b> (Gibbs) ----- Quite an unusual variety. Spike is not tall, nor are the flowers large, but ten to fifteen are open at one time and, the color being a variegated pink, the effect is fine.	.20
	<b>J. A. CARBONE.</b> (Diener) ----- Very long spike with large flowers of finest orange salmon. Many blooms are open at one time. Withstands heat unusually well.	1.00
84.7	<b>JACK LONDON.</b> (Diener) ----- Light salmon with vermillion stripes. Quite large and tall. Extra fine color under artificial light.	.15
	<b>JACOB A VON BEIJEREN.</b> (Holland) ----- Excellent light fuchsia purple, very tall. Many florets open at once. Very popular. First prize at Rochester, 1925, for best floor basket of blue glads.	.25
89.8	<b>JEWEL.</b> (C. Zeestraten) ----- Very early and tall. Light salmon with large golden blotch—aptly named. A beauty for cutting.	.15
88.7	<b>JENNIE LIND.</b> (Hoeg) ----- Softest pink with pale yellow throat, a perfect blending of colors. My favorite variety among one hundred. The blooms are not large but there are six to eight open at once and the coloring is adorable.	.30
85.5	<b>LE MARECHAL FOCH.</b> (Holland) ----- A very good light rose, pink. Often six inches across. Very popular.	.10
	<b>LOS ANGELES.</b> (Houdyshel) ----- A charming variety. Shrimp pink, tinted orange, with an orange tinted carmine stripe in throat. But most valuable of all is its "Cut-and-come-again" quality. After the first spike is cut, another will spring from the same stalk, possibly not quite so long, yet very fine. We have had several from one plant. Something unusual, and a fine thing as a cut flower.	.75
85.1	<b>LOUISE.</b> (Wright) ----- A very fine thing in lavender. Maroon blotch. Often compared with an orchid.	.15
86.6	<b>MARSHALL FOCH.</b> (Kunderd) ----- One of the very best. Fine ruffled salmon pink, large, heavy textured blooms on tall stalks. There are few finer varieties than this beauty.	.15

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88.1	MARIE KUNDERD. (Kunderd) ----- The finest of all early white glads. Large ruffled pure white flowers with only the faintest pink line on lower petals. A variety that will eventually be found in every collection.	.35
89.1	MRS. DR. NORTON. (Kunderd) ----- The best loved glad. in existence. Dainty pink—deeper at edges—blended to white at throat. Creamy yellow throat. Large, tall and graceful. Just fine.	.10
88.8	MRS. LEON DOUGLASS. (Diener) ----- This variety, from three-fourths inch bulbs, attracted the most attention of any in our garden last season. And justly so. The flowers are a beautiful shade of pink, and are often six and a half inches across on six foot spikes. A wonderfully fine thing.	.50
	MRS. JOHN S. WOOD. (Metzner) ----- Very similar to Douglass, except that the color is a little lighter—more of a coral pink. Growth and habit identical. Possibly better than above. Not so widely known.	.50
	MRS. J. C. GROSSMAN. (Kunderd) ----- (Grossman, introducer). A high class prim. Grenadine red, changing to a creamy throat. Very bright—fine for landscaping.	1.00
89.5	MRS. RICHARD LOHRMAN. (Diener) ----- Cream and light pink, a blending of colors that is superb. Spikes usually crook, flowers are often small, but when this variety really does its best, it is a revelation. Stake the spikes.	.50
93.6	Mr. W. H. PHIPPS. (Diener) ----- The grandest variety yet on the market. Enormous flowers of the finest La France pink, on tall strong spike. Fifteen or more florets open at one time. One spike is a glorious bouquet.	2.00
	POLA NEGRI. (Diener) ----- Salmon and yellow. Large flowers and many open. Very good. This variety makes a great many bulblets—we had over three hundred from single bulbs last season.	.35
82.9	PRINCE OF WALES. (Holland) ----- Light golden salmon—one of the most beautiful glads in existence. Very popular.	.10
84.8	ROSE ASH. (Diener) ----- General color effect is ashes of roses. A strong grower and very distinctive in coloring.	.15
92.0	RICHARD DIENER. (Diener) ----- Most extra-ordinary pink. General effect is a yellow pink—wonderfully soft texture. Excellent spike with beautifully arranged florets. A beauty for cutting.	.35
	SCARLET WONDER. (Cowee) ----- Enormous flowers of pure scarlet. Substance is only moderately good, but the size and color of this one makes it a winner of many awards.	.50
	SUNSET GLOW. (Gibbs) ----- In our opinion, the finest bright colored primulinus hybrid in existence. The variety that "can be seen a mile and a half away." Last season at blooming time, a planting of a thousand bulbs of this variety was visible like a fire more than one and one-half miles. We describe it as "A Golden Sunset in the Heart of a Beautiful Glad." The spotless petals are of clear scarlet, blended to a throat of pure golden yellow. Fine large flowers for a prim. Very strong grower, tall, and a good multiplier. Endorsed by highest authorities.	.20
	TYCHO ZANG. (Mrs. Austin) ----- Clear brilliant salmon pink with lighter throat. Very large flowers with many open at once. An exceptionally fine thing given us by the originator of Evelyn Kirtland.	3.00
84.1	WHITE WONDER. (Kemp) ----- Very large white. In dry seasons it often tints pink. When pure, is a fine exhibition bloom. Strong grower.	.10
	YELLOW GEM. (Kunderd) ----- A very good light yellow of creamy tint. Tall and early. Very prolific.	.10